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Title: **METHOD OF PRODUCING A SURGICAL IMPLANT**

**RESPONSE TO 1 AUGUST 2006 OFFICE ACTION  
(37 CFR §1.111)**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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In Response to the Office Action of August 1, 2006, reconsideration of the rejections and further examination of the application are requested.

**FEES: THIS RESPONSE INCLUDES A PTO-2038 AUTHORIZING A \$65 CHARGE FOR THE ACCOMPANYING TERMINAL DISCLAIMER.**

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